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H. R. 107

To reform Social Security retirement and Medicare by establishing a Personal Social Security Savings Program to create a safer, healthier, more secure, and more prosperous retirement for all Americans and to reduce the burden on young Americans.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 6, 2009

Mr. Flake (for himself, Ms. Foxx, and Ms. Jackson-Lee of Texas) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, the Budget, Energy and Commerce, and Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To reform Social Security retirement and Medicare by establishing a Personal Social Security Savings Program to create a safer, healthier, more secure, and more prosperous retirement for all Americans and to reduce the burden on young Americans.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE AND TABLE OF CONTENTS.

- 2 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
- 3 "Securing Medicare and Retirement for Tomorrow Act of
- 4 2009" or as the "SMART Act of 2009".
- 5 (b) Table of Contents.—The table of contents is
- 6 as follows:
 - Sec. 1. Short title and table of contents.
 - Sec. 2. Establishment of Personal Social Security Savings Program.

"PART A—INSURANCE BENEFITS

"PART B—PERSONAL SOCIAL SECURITY SAVINGS PROGRAM

- "Sec. 251. Definitions.
- "Sec. 252. Establishment and maintenance of personal social security accounts.
- "Sec. 253. Designation of qualified social security mutual funds.
- "Sec. 254. Distribution of social security retirement benefits.
- "Sec. 255. Enforcement of contribution requirements.
- "Sec. 256. Personal Accounts Management and Review Board.
- Sec. 3. Medicare program revision.
- Sec. 4. Employment taxes, tax on self-employment income.
- Sec. 5. Tax treatment of distributions.
- Sec. 6. Federal budget reforms.
- Sec. 7. Change in Consumer Price Index used for cost-of-living increases.

7 SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF PERSONAL SOCIAL SECURITY

- 8 SAVINGS PROGRAM.
- 9 (a) In General.—Title II of the Social Security Act
- 10 (42 U.S.C. 401 et seq.) is amended—
- 11 (1) by inserting before section 201 (42 U.S.C.
- 12 401) the following:
- 13 "PART A—INSURANCE BENEFITS":
- 14 and
- 15 (2) by adding at the end the following new part:

1 "PART B—PERSONAL SOCIAL SECURITY SAVINGS

2	PROGRAM
3	"SEC. 251. DEFINITIONS.
4	"For purposes of this part—
5	"(1) Participating individual.—The term
6	'participating individual' means any individual—
7	"(A)(i) who has received wages on which
8	there is imposed a tax under section 3101(a) of
9	the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or
10	"(ii) who has derived self-employment in-
11	come on which there is imposed a tax under
12	section 1401(a) of such Code, and
13	"(B) who has not attained retirement age
14	as of January 1 of the calendar year following
15	the date of the enactment of the SMART Act
16	of 2009.
17	"(2) Employer.—The term 'employer' means
18	an employer within the meaning of section 3111 of
19	the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
20	"(3) Part a retirement benefit.—The
21	term 'part A retirement benefit' means, in connec-
22	tion with a participating individual—
23	"(A) an old-age insurance benefit provided
24	under section 202(a); and
25	"(B) a wife's or husband's insurance ben-
26	efit under subsection (b) or (c) of section 202

1	based on the wages and self-employment income
2	of the participating individual.
3	"(4) PART B BENEFIT.—The term 'part B ben-
4	efit' means, in connection with a participating indi-
5	vidual, the total amount which is credited to all per-
6	sonal social security accounts of the participating in-
7	dividual as of the date on which the participating in-
8	dividual attains retirement age (or, if earlier, dies).
9	"(5) Board.—The term 'Board' means the
10	Personal Accounts Management and Review Board
11	established under section 255.
12	"(6) Personal Social Security Account.—
13	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'personal
14	social security account' of an individual means
15	a trust (established pursuant to section 252)
16	created or organized in the United States for
17	the exclusive benefit of a participating indi-
18	vidual or such individual's beneficiaries, but
19	only if the written governing instrument cre-
20	ating the trust meets the following require-
21	ments:
22	"(i) Except in the case of amounts
23	transferred from other personal social se-
24	curity accounts pursuant to a merger or
25	transfer authorized under subsection (e) or

1	(f) of section 252, no contribution will be
2	accepted unless it is in cash.
3	"(ii) The trustee is—
4	"(I) a bank (as defined in sub-
5	paragraph (B)), or
6	"(II) such other person who dem-
7	onstrates to the satisfaction of the
8	Board that the manner in which such
9	other person will administer the trust
10	will be consistent with the require-
11	ments of this part.
12	"(iii) The written governing instru-
13	ment provides for investment of the assets
14	of the trust in accordance with the provi-
15	sions of this part. No amount of the assets
16	of the trust will be invested in any form or
17	manner other than as authorized by this
18	part.
19	"(iv) The interest of an individual in
20	the balance of the individual's account is
21	nonforfeitable, except as provided in sub-
22	sections (e) and (f)(3) of section 254.
23	"(v) The assets of the trust will not
24	be commingled with other property.

1	"(B) Bank.—For purposes of subpara-
2	graph (A)(ii), the term 'bank' means—
3	"(i) any bank (as defined in section
4	581 of the Internal Revenue Code of
5	1986),
6	"(ii) an insured credit union (within
7	the meaning of paragraph (6) or (7) of
8	section 101 of the Federal Credit Union
9	Act), and
10	"(iii) a corporation which, under the
11	laws of the State of its incorporation, is
12	subject to supervision and examination by
13	the Commissioner of Banking or other offi-
14	cer of such State in charge of the adminis-
15	tration of the banking laws of such State.
16	"(7) Part b personal social security con-
17	TRIBUTION.—The term 'part B personal social secu-
18	rity contribution' for any calendar year means an
19	amount equal to the sum of—
20	"(A) the amount of the taxes imposed
21	under section 3101(a) of the Internal Revenue
22	Code of 1986 (without regard to subsection (d)
23	thereof) on the wages paid to such individual
24	during such calendar year, plus

1	"(B) 50 percent of the amount of the taxes
2	imposed under section 1401(a) of such Code
3	(without regard to subsections (d) and (e)
4	thereof) on the self-employment income derived
5	by such individual during the taxable year end-
6	ing with or during such calendar year.
7	"(8) Qualified social security annuity.—
8	The term 'qualified social security annuity' is an an-
9	nuity approved by the Board for purchase pursuant
10	to section 254(d) with amounts available as part B
11	benefits.
12	"(9) Qualified social security mutual
13	FUND.—The term 'qualified social security mutual
14	fund' means an entity so designated pursuant to sec-
15	tion 253.
16	"(10) Retirement age.—The term 'retire-
17	ment age' has the meaning provided under section
18	216(l).
19	"(11) Social Security Escrow fund.—The
20	term 'Social Security Escrow Fund' means the fund
21	established under section 201(a).
22	"SEC. 252. ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF PER-
23	SONAL SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNTS.
24	"(a) Funding and Investment of Personal So-
25	CIAL SECURITY ACCOUNTS.—

1	"(1) Employees.—Not later than each due
2	date for payment by any employer, pursuant to sub-
3	title C of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, of the
4	taxes imposed under section 3101(a) of such Code
5	on the wages paid to any participating individual,
6	such employer shall—
7	"(A) make the payment required under
8	subsection (b)(2)(B) to the participating indi-
9	vidual's personal social security account estab-
10	lished under subsection (b)(1), and
11	"(B) provide for investment, under the
12	terms of the account, of the amount paid to the
13	account in a qualified social security mutual
14	fund designated by such individual as provided
15	in subsection (d).
16	"(2) Self-employed persons.—Not later
17	than 15 days after each due date for payment of
18	taxes imposed under section 1401 of the Internal
19	Revenue Code of 1986 on self-employment income
20	derived by any participating individual during any
21	taxable year, such participating individual shall—
22	"(A) pay an amount equal to such partici-
23	pating individual's part B personal social secu-
24	rity contribution described in section 251(7)(B)
25	into such individual's personal social security

1	account established pursuant to subsection
2	(c)(1), and
3	"(B) provide for investment of such
4	amount in a qualified social security mutual
5	fund designated by such individual as provided
6	in subsection (d).
7	"(3) Effect of audits or errors regard-
8	ING TRANSFERS.—In the event of any transfer of an
9	incorrect amount under this subsection, proper ad-
10	justments shall be made in amounts subsequently
11	transferred pursuant to this subsection to the extent
12	the incorrect amount was in excess of or was less
13	than the correct amount, in accordance with regula-
14	tions prescribed by the Board.
15	"(b) Establishment of Accounts by Employ-
16	ERS.—
17	"(1) IN GENERAL.—Each employer shall estab-
18	lish and maintain for each participating individual
19	employed by such employer a personal social security
20	account under a social security payroll deduction
21	plan.
22	"(2) Requirements of Plan.—For purposes
23	of this part, the term 'social security payroll deduc-
24	tion plan' means, in connection with a participating

1	individual, a written plan of an employer with re-
2	spect to which the following requirements are met:
3	"(A) Such individual is an employee of
4	such employer and the plan applies only with
5	respect to wages paid by such employer to such
6	individual.
7	"(B) Under such plan, the portion of such
8	wages consisting of each such participating in-
9	dividual's part B personal social security con-
10	tribution described in section 251(7)(A) for the
11	calendar year will be deducted from such indi-
12	vidual's wages and paid to a personal social se-
13	curity account maintained by such employer for
14	such individual, in accordance with subsection
15	(a)(1).
16	"(C) The employer receives no compensa-
17	tion for the cost of administering such plan.
18	"(D) The employer does not make any en-
19	dorsement with respect to any qualified social
20	security mutual funds selected by the employer
21	for purposes of investment under subsection (d)
22	of amounts held in any personal social security
23	account.
24	"(c) Participation by Self-Employed Individ-
25	UALS.—Each participating individual who receives self-

employment income for any taxable year beginning on or
after January 1 of the calendar following the date of the
enactment of the SMART Act of 2009 shall, in such form
and manner as shall be prescribed in regulations of the
Board, establish and maintain a personal social security
account for purposes of holding and investing such partici-
pating individual's part B personal social security con-
tribution described in section 251(7)(B) for such taxable
year, in accordance with subsection (a)(2).
"(d) Investment of Personal Social Security
ACCOUNT FUNDS.—
"(1) Investment in qualified social secu-
RITY MUTUAL FUNDS.—Except as provided in para-
graph (4), amounts held during any calendar year in
a participating individual's personal social security
account maintained by such individual's employer
shall be invested during such year only in one quali-
fied social security mutual fund designated by the
participating individual to such employer in accord-
ance with this subsection not later than November
30 of the preceding year.
"(2) Selection of funds by employers.—
"(A) In general.—Except as provided in

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in personal social security accounts maintained by an employer, such employer shall select, not later than November 1 of the preceding year, 5 qualified social security mutual funds from among which the participating individual for whom each account is maintained may make the designations required under paragraph (1). During the 15-day period beginning on such November 1, each employer shall provide to each participating individual employed by such employer during such period a current prospectus regarding each of the 5 qualified social security mutual funds selected by the employer, together with such supplemental information as may be selected by the employer and such information as may be required by the Board.

"(B) DEFAULT FUND.—The employer shall designate one of the qualified social security mutual funds selected pursuant to subparagraph (A) as the default fund. In the case of the failure of a participating individual to make a timely designation of a qualified social security mutual fund pursuant to paragraph (1), the individual shall be deemed to have designated the default fund as the qualified social

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security mutual fund in which amounts held in the individual's personal social security account will be invested.

"(3) Self-employed individuals.—

"(A) GENERAL RULE.—Except as provided in paragraph (4), in the case of amounts held by any participating individual in a personal social security account maintained pursuant to subsection (c) during any calendar year, the participating individual shall invest amounts during such calendar year in one qualified social security mutual fund designated by such individual not later than November 30 preceding such vear, in such form and manner as shall be prescribed by the Board. In any case in which any such participating individual does not make a timely designation in accordance with the preceding sentence with respect to amounts held during any calendar year, the terms governing the personal social security account shall provide for designation of a qualified social security mutual fund as the default mutual fund in which amounts held in the account will be invested.

1 "(B) Treatment of self-employed in-2 DIVIDUALS WHO ARE EMPLOYERS.—Notwith-3 standing subparagraph (A), in any case in 4 which a participating individual described in 5 subparagraph (A) in connection with investment 6 of amounts described in subparagraph (A) dur-7 ing any calendar year is an employer of partici-8 pating individuals who has, pursuant to para-9 graph (2), selected qualified social security mu-10 tual funds for investment by such participating individuals during such calendar year, any des-12 ignation by such employer under subparagraph 13 (A) of a qualified social security mutual fund 14 for investment of such amounts described in 15 subparagraph (A) during such calendar year 16 shall be from those qualified social security mu-17 tual funds so selected pursuant to paragraph 18 (2).19

"(4) Newly established accounts.—In the case of a newly established personal social security account maintained by an employer for an employee pursuant to subsection (b) or by a self-employed individual pursuant to subsection (c), the requirements of the preceding paragraphs of this subsection shall be treated as satisfied in a timely manner with re-

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1	spect to amounts held in the account during the cal
2	endar year in which the account is established and
3	the next following calendar year if such amounts are
4	invested as otherwise provided in such paragraphs
5	within 30 days after the date of the establishmen
6	of such account.
7	"(e) Multiple Personal Social Security Ac
8	COUNTS.—
9	"(1) In General.—In any case in which—
10	"(A) payments are required to be made
11	under subsection (b)(1) during any calendar
12	year by 2 or more employers in connection with
13	the same participating individual, or
14	"(B) payments are required to be made
15	during any calendar year by 1 or more employ
16	ers under subsection (b)(1) in connection with
17	a participating individual and by such partici
18	pating individual under subsection $(c)(1)$,
19	separate personal social security accounts may be
20	maintained by or for such participating individua
21	for purposes of accepting payments made by each
22	employer and by the participating individual.
23	"(2) MERGER OF ACCOUNTS.—The Board shall
24	prescribe by regulation procedures by which a par
25	ticipating individual may merge 2 or more persona

1	social security accounts of such participating indi-
2	vidual into a single personal social security account.
3	"(f) Transfers Between Accounts Upon Termi-
4	NATION OF EMPLOYMENT.—
5	"(1) In general.—Not later than 90 days
6	after the date of the termination of employment of
7	a participating individual by an employer, such indi-
8	vidual shall, in accordance with regulations of the
9	Board, arrange for disinvestment of amounts held in
10	the personal social security account established by
11	such employer for such individual and transfer of
12	the amounts held in such account to—
13	"(A) any personal social security account
14	established by the employer in connection with
15	subsequent employment of such individual com-
16	mencing within such 90-day period, or
17	"(B) in any case in which, during such 90-
18	day period, no personal social security account
19	is established in connection with subsequent
20	employment of such individual, a personal social
21	security account established by such individual
22	as provided in subsection (b)(1) as if such indi-
23	vidual were self-employed.
24	"(2) Disregard of Certain Breaks in Serv-
25	ICE.—The Board shall provide rules for determining

- whether an individual's employment has been terminated for purposes of this subsection under which breaks in service for any period occurring on a seasonal or other regular basis each year are disregarded in the case of any type of service with respect to which the customary period of employment during each calendar year excludes such period.
- 8 "(3) Procedure.—In accordance with regula-9 tions of the Board, in the case of any termination 10 of employment by an employer of a participating em-11 ployee, the terms of the personal social security ac-12 count of the participating employee maintained by 13 such employer and of the qualified social security 14 mutual fund designated for purposes of investment 15 of amounts held in such account shall provide for 16 any disinvestment and transfer required under para-17 graph (1).
- "(g) DISTRIBUTIONS.—Distributions of amounts held in personal social security accounts (other than reasonable investment fees and administrative expenses) shall be made—
- 22 "(1) only as provided in section 254(d) (except 23 as otherwise provided in section 254(e)), or
- 24 "(2) for purposes of effecting mergers of ac-25 counts pursuant to subsection (e)(2) or transfers to

- 1 other personal social security accounts pursuant to
- 2 subsection (f).
- 3 "(h) Property Rights of Participating Indi-
- 4 VIDUAL.—Amounts held in a participating individual's
- 5 personal social security account—
- 6 "(1) are the property of such participating indi-
- 7 vidual, and
- 8 "(2) except as provided in subsections (e)(2)
- 9 and (f)(3) of section 254, shall not be transferrable
- or assignable, at law or in equity, and shall not be
- subject to execution, levy, attachment, garnishment,
- or other legal process, or to the operation of any
- bankruptcy or insolvency law.
- 14 "SEC. 253. DESIGNATION OF QUALIFIED SOCIAL SECURITY
- 15 MUTUAL FUNDS.
- 16 "(a) IN GENERAL.—The Board shall establish a pro-
- 17 gram for designating entities as qualified social security
- 18 mutual funds for purposes of investment of amounts held
- 19 in personal social security accounts.
- 20 "(b) Application Process.—An entity may be des-
- 21 ignated by the Board as a qualified social security mutual
- 22 fund only upon the filing by such entity of an application
- 23 to the Board at such time, in such manner, and containing
- 24 such information as the Board may require.

1	"(c) Minimum Qualifications of Qualified So-
2	CIAL SECURITY MUTUAL FUNDS.—
3	"(1) In general.—An entity may be des-
4	ignated by the Board as a qualified social security
5	mutual fund only if such entity—
6	"(A) is an investment company;
7	"(B) is registered with the Securities and
8	Exchange Commission as an investment com-
9	pany and has been so registered for no fewer
10	than 10 years;
11	"(C) has been publicly traded or available
12	to the public for purchase and redemption for
13	no fewer than 10 years;
14	"(D) at the time of application, has a mar-
15	ket capitalization of at least \$100,000,000;
16	"(E) has not been subject to civil or crimi-
17	nal penalty with respect to its securities or in-
18	vestment operations by any government agency
19	within the past 10 years; and
20	"(F) is managed by a corporation, partner-
21	ship, limited liability company, or other person
22	that—
23	"(i) is incorporated, created, or orga-
24	nized in the United States, and

1	"(ii) has not been subject to civil or
2	criminal penalty with respect to its securi-
3	ties or investment operations by any gov-
4	ernment agency within the past 10 years.
5	"(2) Investment company.—For purposes of
6	this subsection, the term 'investment company' has
7	the meaning provided in section 3 of the Investment
8	Company Act of 1940.
9	"(d) Operational Requirements of Qualified
10	SOCIAL SECURITY MUTUAL FUNDS.—Each qualified so-
11	cial security mutual fund shall—
12	"(1) comply with all regulations prescribed by
13	the Board;
14	"(2) enter into any agreement with the Board
15	that the Board may require;
16	"(3) provide the Commissioner of Social Secu-
17	rity with such information as the Commissioner may
18	require to meet the requirements of section 254(b);
19	"(4) comply with all securities laws (as defined
20	in section 3(a)(47) of the Securities Exchange Act
21	of 1934);
22	"(5) comply with the fiduciary standards estab-
23	lished by section 404(a) of the Employee Retirement
24	Income Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1104(a)):

1	"(6) maintain its registration described in sub-
2	section (c)(1);
3	"(7) invest in the securities of no fewer than 50
4	issuers;
5	"(8) allow no single security to account for
6	more than 5 percent of the fund's net asset value;
7	"(9) invest solely in securities issued by cor-
8	porations, trusts, partnerships, or limited liability
9	companies whose principal place of business is lo-
10	cated in the United States (or, in the case of invest-
11	ments made in investment companies, solely in in-
12	vestment companies in which at least 90 percent of
13	the underlying securities are those of corporations,
14	trusts, partnerships, or limited liability companies
15	whose principal place of business is located in the
16	United States);
17	"(10) not invest in government securities;
18	"(11) provide quarterly statements to each par-
19	ticipating individual invested in the qualified social
20	security mutual fund of the value of the partici-
21	pating individual's investment and the change in
22	value during the preceding quarter and preceding

year (if applicable); and

1	"(12) provide to the Board (in a form pre-
2	scribed by the Board) at least the following informa-
3	tion—
4	"(A) not later than March 1 of each cal-
5	endar year, the value of each participating indi-
6	vidual's investment in the qualified social secu-
7	rity mutual fund at the end of the preceding
8	calendar year;
9	"(B) within 30 days after any transfer to
10	another qualified social security mutual fund,
11	notification of such transfer; and
12	"(C) within 30 days after any distribution
13	to a participating individual, notification of
14	such distribution.
15	"(e) Required Number and Types of Qualified
16	SOCIAL SECURITY MUTUAL FUNDS.—
17	"(1) MINIMUM NUMBER.—The Board shall take
18	such actions as are necessary to maintain a number
19	of entities designated as qualified social security mu-
20	tual funds of not fewer than 150.
21	"(2) Type.—The Board shall ensure that, of
22	entities which are currently designated qualified so-
23	cial security mutual funds as of any time—
24	"(A) not fewer than 75 maintain a port-
25	folio invested solely in common stocks: and

1	"(B) not fewer than 50 maintain a port-
2	folio invested in a mix of bonds and debentures
3	and common stocks such that at least 50 per-
4	cent (by value) is invested in common stocks.
5	"(f) Criteria for Designation as Qualified So-
6	CIAL SECURITY MUTUAL FUND.—
7	"(1) Limitation on common investment
8	MANAGERS.—Under regulations which shall be pre-
9	scribed by the Board, not more than 15 entities
10	managed by the same investment manager may be
11	currently treated as of any time as qualified social
12	security mutual funds. For purposes of this para-
13	graph, the reference to an investment manager shall
14	include a reference to any affiliated person thereof
15	(as defined in section 2(a)(3) of the Investment
16	Company Act of 1940).
17	"(2) Criteria for designation.—In deter-
18	mining whether to designate an entity as a qualified
19	social security mutual fund, the Board shall include
20	in matters taken into account at least the following:
21	"(A) the investment fees and administra-
22	tive expenses that such entity will incur;
23	"(B) the financial performance of such en-
24	tity;

1	"(C) appropriateness of the entity's diver-
2	sification; and
3	"(D) the administrative efficiency and ac-
4	curacy of the entity.
5	"(3) Additional Criteria.—The Board may
6	establish additional criteria for designation as a
7	qualified social security mutual fund and shall pub-
8	lish such criteria in advance of initiating the applica-
9	tion process.
10	"(g) Enforcement; Loss of Designation as
11	QUALIFIED SOCIAL SECURITY MUTUAL FUND.—
12	"(1) Loss of designation for non-compli-
13	ANCE.—The Board shall withdraw the designation of
14	any entity as a qualified social security mutual fund
15	if the entity fails to substantially comply with this
16	section. Any such withdrawal shall be effective im-
17	mediately upon a finding of non-compliance by the
18	Board, after notice and opportunity for an adminis-
19	trative hearing.
20	"(2) Intermediate or additional sanc-
21	TIONS.—
22	"(A) In General.—The Board may im-
23	pose fines on any person who manages a quali-
24	fied social security mutual fund for any viola-
25	tion of this section with respect to such fund.

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Any such fine may not exceed the investment fees and other income to such person arising from the management of the qualified social security mutual fund for the 3 preceding calendar years (or, in the case of a qualified social security mutual fund that has not been so designated for the 3 preceding years, 3 times the projected or actual investment fees and other income arising from the management of the qualified social security mutual fund for the most recent calendar year for which such fund was so designated). Such fines may be imposed in addition to loss of designation as a qualified social security mutual fund or in lieu of loss of such designation, at the discretion of the Board.

"(B) Enforcement.—The Board may bring a civil action against any person referred to in subparagraph (A) to enforce any fine imposed under such subparagraph. Such action may be brought in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia or in any district court of the United States within the jurisdiction of which such person resides or does business, and process may be served in

any district where such person resides, does
business, or may be found.

"(3) Loss of designation for poor per-FORMANCE.—The Board may withdraw the designation of those qualified social security mutual funds, equal in number to 10 percent of the total number of qualified social security mutual funds, determined annually by the Board to be the lowest performing, except that the designation of any such fund may be withdrawn under this paragraph only if the Board determines that the entity that would be newly designated by the Board as a replacement would be more qualified. The determination of performance shall be made by comparing total return, taking into account, together with any other factors determined relevant by the Board, all investment income, gains or losses, administrative expenses, and investment fees over a period of time to be determined by the Board. A withdrawal under this paragraph shall be effective at the end of the calendar year in which the withdrawal determination is made, after notice and opportunity for an administrative hearing.

"(4) Transfers.—The Board shall seek instructions by mail from all participating individuals whose personal social security account is invested, in

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whole or in part, in a qualified social security mu-1 2 tual fund that has had its designation withdrawn 3 pursuant to paragraph (1) or (3) regarding other qualified social security mutual funds to which the 5 participating individual would like the invested funds 6 transferred. If such instructions are not received by 7 the Board within 45 days (in case of a withdrawal 8 of designation under paragraph (1)) or within 1 year 9 (in the case of a withdrawal of designation under 10 paragraph (3)), then the distribution shall be made 11 to a randomly selected qualified social security mu-12 tual fund that is invested in a mix of bonds and de-13 bentures and common stocks such that at least 80 14 percent (by value) is invested in common stocks.

15 "SEC. 254. DISTRIBUTION OF SOCIAL SECURITY RETIRE-

- 16 MENT BENEFITS.
- 17 "(a) Election of Part A Retirement Benefits 18 In Lieu of Part B Benefits at Retirement.—
- "(1) IN GENERAL.—Unless a participating individual elects, not later than 30 days after the date on which such individual attains retirement age (and not later than the date on which such individual commences distribution from his or her personal social security account as provided in subsection (d), if such date is earlier than the date on which such

1 individual attains retirement age), part A retirement 2 benefits based on such individual's wages and self-3 employment income, such individual shall be deemed to have elected to receive part B benefits and to 5 have forfeited any entitlement of such individual or 6 such individual's wife, husband, divorced wife, or di-7 vorced husband to such part A retirement benefits. 8 Any such election may be made only in a form and 9 manner which shall be prescribed by the Commis-10 sioner of Social Security. If such individual makes a 11 timely election of part A retirement benefits, such 12 individual shall be deemed to have forfeited such in-13 dividual's part B benefits. No such election of part 14 A retirement benefits may be made by any individual 15 attaining retirement age after the end of the period 16 of 42 calendar years following the date of the enact-17 ment of the SMART Act of 2009. Any such election 18 shall be effective only if it is in writing and signed 19 by the participating individual, his or her wife or 20 husband (if any), and each divorced wife or divorced 21 husband of such individual (if any). A deemed elec-22 tion of part B benefits under this paragraph shall 23 take effect only upon the mailing of a written notice 24 of such deemed election to the spouse (if any) and 25 each former spouse (if any) of such deemed election,

in such form as shall be prescribed by the Commissioner, to the last known mailing address of such spouse or former spouse.

"(2) DISPOSITION OF PART B BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATING INDIVIDUALS ELECTING PART A RETIREMENT BENEFITS.—Not later than 30 days after an election by a participating individual under paragraph (1) of part A retirement benefits, the Commissioner of Social Security shall notify the qualified social security mutual fund in which amounts held in any personal social security account of such individual are invested that such individual has elected part A retirement benefits. Not later than 30 days after receiving such notice, the qualified social security mutual fund shall transfer the amount of such individual's part B benefits to the Social Security Escrow Fund, and such amount shall be treated as a part of the balance of such Fund.

19 "(b) Information To Be Provided to Partici-20 pating Individuals.—

21 "(1) IN GENERAL.—During—

22 "(A) the 90-day period beginning 180 days 23 before the date on which any participating indi-24 vidual attains retirement age, and

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"(B) the 90-day period following a request filed by a participating individual with the Commissioner, in such form and manner as shall be prescribed by the Commissioner, after 180 days before the date on which the individual attains age 62,

> the Commissioner of Social Security shall provide such individual with a retirement distribution estimate described in paragraph (2). The Commissioner shall not be required to respond to more than 1 request described in subparagraph (B) made by a participating individual during any 1-year period.

> "(2) Retirement distribution estimate described in this paragraph is the Commissioner's written estimate of—

"(A) the part A retirement benefits that the participating individual would receive, and the part A retirement benefits that any other individual would receive on the basis of the wages and self-employment income of such participating individual, if the participating individual elected part A retirement benefits pursuant to subsection (a);

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"(B) the part B benefits that the participating individual would receive (including any transitional part A retirement benefits under subsection (c) of such participating individual and each individual receiving on the basis of such participating individual's wages and self-employment income) if such participating individual does not make an election of part A retirement benefits pursuant to subsection (a);

- "(C) the estimated amount of the median qualified social security annuity that the part B benefits could purchase, given the current insurance market, if such benefits were used entirely to purchase such an annuity; and
- "(D) the maximum permissible annual withdrawal of such part B benefits allowable under subsection (d).
- "(c) Transitional Part A Retirement Bene19 Fits.—Notwithstanding subsection (a), a participating in20 dividual born before 1970 who does not elect part A retire21 ment benefits pursuant to subsection (a), and each indi22 vidual who would be entitled to any such benefit on the
 23 basis of such participating individual's wages and self-em24 ployment income if such participating individual had made
 25 such an election, shall be entitled to a transitional part

- 1 A retirement benefit. The transitional part A retirement
- 2 benefit shall be equal to the product of the part A retire-
- 3 ment benefit that would have been received if such an elec-
- 4 tion had been made and the part A retirement benefit per-
- 5 centage set forth in connection with the participating indi-
- 6 vidual's year of birth, as set forth in the following table:

The part A retirement benefit

"If the year of birth is:	percentage is:
1946	. 98 percent
1947	. 96 percent
1948	. 94 percent
1949	. 92 percent
1950	. 90 percent
1951	. 87 percent
1952	. 84 percent
1953	. 81 percent
1954	. 78 percent
1955	. 75 percent
1956	. 71 percent
1957	. 67 percent
1958	. 63 percent
1959	. 59 percent
1960	. 55 percent
1961	. 50 percent
1962	. 45 percent
1963	. 40 percent
1964	. 35 percent
1965	. 30 percent
1966	. 24 percent
1967	. 18 percent
1968	. 12 percent
1969	. 6 percent.

- 7 "(d) Distributions of Part B Benefits and
- 8 Distribution Limits.—
- 9 "(1) In general.—Subject to the limitations
- provided in this subsection, a participating indi-
- vidual who has not made a timely election of part A
- retirement benefits under subsection (a) may with-
- draw from any personal social security account of

such individual all or any portion of the balance in such account.

> "(2) MINIMUM AGE FOR WITHDRAWAL.—Withdrawals by an individual from such individual's personal social security account may be made only after such individual has attained age 62.

"(3) Annual 10-percent limitation.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection (f) and paragraph (4), the maximum permissible total withdrawal during any 1-year period by a participating individual from all of such individual's personal social security accounts is 10 percent of the aggregate value of the amounts held in such accounts at the close of the preceding calendar year.

"(B) LIMITATION WITH RESPECT TO QUALIFIED SOCIAL SECURITY MUTUAL FUND.—
The terms governing the qualified social security mutual fund in which are invested a participating individual's part B benefits held in any personal social security account shall prohibit distributions to such individual during any 1-year period of such part B benefits to the extent that the total amount of such distributions exceed 10 percent of the value of the part B

1	benefits held in such account at the close of the
2	preceding calendar year.
3	"(C) Interchange of information.—
4	The Board shall provide by regulation for the
5	interchange of information between the man-
6	agers of personal social security accounts and
7	between qualified social security mutual funds
8	that is necessary to implement the requirements
9	of this paragraph.
10	"(4) Purchase of qualified social secu-
11	RITY ANNUITIES.—
12	"(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding the
13	paragraph (3), a participating individual may
14	use any withdrawal permitted under paragraph
15	(2) to purchase, in accordance with regulations
16	which shall be prescribed by the Board, a quali-
17	fied social security annuity.
18	"(B) Qualified social security annu-
19	ITY.—For purposes of this paragraph, the term
20	'qualified social security annuity' means an an-
21	nuity contract between an insurance company
22	and a participating individual that complies
23	with the following requirements:
24	"(i) The annuity contract is offered
25	by an insurance company whose principal

1	place of business is located in the United
2	States.
3	"(ii) The annuity contract is offered
4	by an insurance company approved for its
5	safety and soundness by the Board.
6	"(iii) The insurance company entering
7	into the annuity contract has insured the
8	risk that it will be unable to meet its obli-
9	gations with a reinsurance company (whose
10	principal place of business may be located
11	inside or outside the United States) that
12	will meet the obligations of the primary in-
13	surer in the event it cannot and has been
14	approved by the Board for its safety and
15	soundness.
16	"(iv) If the annuitant is a married
17	person at the time of the issuance of the
18	annuity, the annuity is in the form of a
19	qualified joint and survivor annuity. For
20	purposes of this clause, the term 'qualified
21	joint and survivor annuity' means an annu-
22	ity—
23	"(I) which is for the life of the
24	participating individual, with a sur-
25	vivor annuity for the life of the spouse

1	which is not less than 50 percent of
2	(and is not greater than 100 percent
3	of) the amount of the annuity which
4	is payable during the joint lives of the
5	participating individual and the
6	spouse, and
7	"(II) which is the actuarial
8	equivalent of a single annuity for the
9	life of the participating individual.
10	"(v) The terms of the annuity con-
11	tract must have been approved as fair and
12	reasonable by the Board.
13	"(e) Part B Benefits Subject to Domestic Re-
14	LATIONS ORDERS.—
15	"(1) In general.—A participating individual's
16	part B benefits (including any qualified social secu-
17	rity annuity purchased with part B benefits) shall be
18	subject to, and payable in accordance with the re-
19	quirements of, any qualified domestic relations
20	order.
21	"(2) Qualified domestic relations
22	ORDER.—For purposes of this subsection—
23	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified
24	domestic relations order' means a domestic rela-
25	tions order—

1	"(i) which creates or recognizes the
2	existence of an alternate payee's right to,
3	or assigns to an alternate payee the right
4	to, receive all or a portion of the part B
5	benefits payable with respect to a partici-
6	pating individual, and
7	"(ii) with respect to which the re-
8	quirements of paragraphs (3) and (4) are
9	met.
10	"(B) Domestic relations order.—The
11	term 'domestic relations order' means any judg-
12	ment, decree, or order (including approval of a
13	property settlement agreement) which—
14	"(i) relates to the provision of child
15	support, alimony payments, or marital
16	property rights to a spouse, former spouse,
17	child, or other dependent of a participating
18	individual, and
19	"(ii) is made pursuant to a State do-
20	mestic relations law (including a commu-
21	nity property law).
22	"(3) Requirements.—A domestic relations
23	order meets the requirements of this paragraph only
24	if—
25	"(A) such order clearly specifies—

1	"(i) the name and the last known
2	mailing address (if any) of the partici-
3	pating individual and the name and mail-
4	ing address of each alternate payee covered
5	by the order,
6	"(ii) the amount or percentage of the
7	participating individual's part B benefits to
8	be paid from the participating individual's
9	personal social security account (including
10	any qualified social security mutual fund in
11	which they are invested) or qualified social
12	security annuity to each such alternate
13	payee, or the manner in which such
14	amount or percentage is to be determined,
15	"(iii) the number of payments or pe-
16	riod to which such order applies, and
17	"(iv) each personal social security ac-
18	count or qualified social security annuity to
19	which such order applies, and
20	"(B) such order is directed at—
21	"(i) one or more qualified social secu-
22	rity mutual funds in which amounts cred-
23	ited to the participating individual's per-
24	sonal social security account are invested,
25	or

1	"(ii) if some or all of the participating
2	individual's part B benefits have been used
3	to purchase a qualified social security an-
4	nuity, the insurance company offering such
5	annuity.
6	"(4) Required scope.—A domestic relations
7	order meets the requirements of this paragraph only
8	if such order—
9	"(A) does not require the provision of any
10	type or form of benefit, or any option, not oth-
11	erwise provided under the terms of the personal
12	social security account (including the qualified
13	social security mutual fund) or the qualified so-
14	cial security annuity,
15	"(B) does not require payments from the
16	account or annuity of increased benefits (deter-
17	mined on the basis of actuarial value), and
18	"(C) does not require the payment of part
19	B benefits to an alternate payee which are re-
20	quired to be paid to another alternate payee
21	under another order previously determined to
22	be a qualified domestic relations order.
23	"(5) Timing and form requirements.—A
24	domestic relations order shall not be treated as fail-
25	ing to meet the requirements of subparagraph (A) of

1	paragraph (4) solely because such order requires
2	that payment of benefits be made to an alternate
3	payee—
4	"(A) on or after the date on which the par-
5	ticipating attains (or would have attained) re-
6	tirement age,
7	"(B) as if the participating individual had
8	attained retirement age on the date on which
9	such payment is to begin under such order (but
10	taking into account only the present value of
11	benefits actually accrued), and
12	"(C) in any form in which such benefits
13	may be paid to the participating individual
14	under this part (other than in the form of a
15	joint and survivor annuity with respect to the
16	alternate payee and his or her subsequent
17	spouse).
18	"(6) Responsibilities of qualified social
19	SECURITY MUTUAL FUNDS AND INSURANCE COMPA-
20	NIES.—
21	"(A) ACTIONS REQUIRED UPON RECEIPT
22	OF ORDER.—In the case of any domestic rela-
23	tions order received by any person that is a
24	qualified social security mutual fund or insur-
25	ance company referred to in paragraph (3)(B)

1	with respect to a personal social security ac-
2	count maintained for a participating indi-
3	vidual—
4	"(i) such person shall promptly notify
5	the participating individual and each alter-
6	nate payee of the receipt of such order and
7	such person's procedures for determining
8	the qualified status of domestic relations
9	orders, and
10	"(ii) within a reasonable period after
11	receipt of such order, such person shall de-
12	termine whether such order is a qualified
13	domestic relations order and notify the
14	participant and each alternate payee of
15	such determination.
16	"(B) Procedures for determining
17	QUALIFIED STATUS.—Each person referred to
18	in subparagraph (A) shall establish reasonable
19	procedures to determine the qualified status of
20	domestic relations orders with respect to per-
21	sonal social security accounts and to administer
22	distributions of part B benefits under such
23	qualified orders. Such procedures—
24	"(i) shall be in writing,

1	"(ii) shall provide for the notification
2	of each alternate payee specified in a do-
3	mestic relations order as entitled to pay-
4	ment of part B benefits with respect to the
5	personal social security account (at the ad-
6	dress included in the domestic relations
7	order) of such procedures promptly upon
8	receipt by such person of the domestic re-
9	lations order, and
10	"(iii) shall permit an alternate payee
11	to designate a representative for receipt of
12	copies of notices that are sent to the alter-
13	nate payee with respect to a domestic rela-
14	tions order.
15	"(f) Distribution Upon Death of Participating
16	Individual.—
17	"(1) In general.—If the participating indi-
18	vidual dies before all amounts consisting of such in-
19	dividual's part B benefits held in a personal social
20	security account are otherwise distributed in accord-
21	ance with this section, subject to paragraph (3),
22	such amounts shall be distributed, under regulations
23	which shall be prescribed by the Board—
24	"(A) in any case in which one or more
25	beneficiaries have been designated in advance,

to such beneficiaries in accordance with such designation as provided in such regulations, and

> "(B) in the case of any amount not distributed as described in paragraph (1), to such individual's estate.

"(2) SPOUSAL RIGHTS.—Notwithstanding any beneficiary designation made by a participating individual pursuant to paragraph (1), subject to paragraph (3), a surviving spouse of the participating individual shall be entitled to not less than one half of the deceased participating individual's part B benefits payable from the personal social security account. In any case in which compliance with the preceding sentence results in remaining amounts in the personal social security account which are insufficient to provide for distribution to other beneficiaries as provided in the terms governing the account, distributions to such other beneficiaries shall be reduced as necessary on a pro rata basis.

"(3) APPLICATION TOWARDS DEBTS.—Upon the death of the accountholder for a personal social security account, the amount in such account shall be passed through to the estate of such deceased accountholder and, as part of such estate, shall be available, in accordance with State law, to pay debts

1	of the accountholder, including debts of medical
2	creditors of the accountholder.
3	"SEC. 255. ENFORCEMENT OF CONTRIBUTION REQUIRE-
4	MENTS.
5	"(a) Penalties for Failure To Establish So-
6	CIAL SECURITY PAYROLL DEDUCTION PLAN.—Any em-
7	ployer who fails to meet the requirements of section
8	252(b) for any calendar year shall be subject to a civil
9	penalty of not to exceed the greater of—
10	"(1) \$50,000, or
11	"(2) \$1,000 for each eligible individual of such
12	employer as of the beginning of such calendar year.
13	"(b) Penalties for Failure To Make Deduc-
14	TIONS REQUIRED UNDER PLAN.—Any employer who fails
15	to timely deduct in full, pursuant to section 252(a)(1), the
16	amount from the wages of a participating individual re-
17	quired under an applicable social security payroll deduc-
18	tion plan, shall be subject to a civil penalty of not to ex-
19	ceed \$50 for each such failure.
20	"(c) Penalties for Failure To Pay Deducted
21	WAGES TO INDIVIDUAL SOCIAL SECURITY RETIREMENT
22	ACCOUNT.—
23	"(1) IN GENERAL.—Any employer who—
24	"(A) fails to timely pay in full, in accord-
25	ance with section 252(a)(1) such individual's

1	part B personal social security contribution de-
2	scribed in section 251(7)(B) to a personal social
3	security account established and maintained for
4	such individual pursuant to section 252(b), or
5	"(B) fails to timely provide for investment
6	of any such amount, pursuant to section
7	252(d),
8	shall be liable as described in paragraph (2).
9	"(2) Liability.—In the case of any failure de-
10	scribed in paragraph (1) by an employer to pay or
11	invest any amount deducted from the wages of a
12	participating individual under a social security pay-
13	roll deduction plan, the employer—
14	"(A) shall be subject to a civil penalty of
15	not to exceed 20 percent of the unpaid or
16	uninvested amount, in addition to any penalty
17	under subsection (a), and
18	"(B) shall be liable to the participating in-
19	dividual for interest on the unpaid or
20	uninvested amount at a rate equal to 133 per-
21	cent of the Federal short-term rate under sec-
22	tion 1274(d)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
23	of 1986, calculated from the last day by which

such amount was required to be so paid or in-

1	vested to the date on which such amount is so
2	paid or invested.
3	"(d) Penalties for Failure by Self-Employed
4	Individuals To Pay Contributions.—
5	"(1) IN GENERAL.—Any individual who—
6	"(A) fails to timely pay in full, as required
7	under section 252(a)(2), such individual's part
8	B personal social security contribution de-
9	scribed in section 251(7)(B) to a personal social
10	security account established and maintained by
11	such individual pursuant to section 252(c), or
12	"(B) fails to timely provide for investment
13	of any such amount, pursuant to section
14	252(d),
15	shall be liable as described in paragraph (2).
16	"(2) Liability.—In the case of any failure de-
17	scribed in paragraph (1) by an individual to pay an
18	amount or provide for investment of such amount,
19	the individual shall be subject to a civil penalty of
20	not to exceed 20 percent of the unpaid or uninvested
21	amount, plus interest on the unpaid amount at a
22	rate equal to 133 percent of the Federal short-term
23	rate under section $1274(d)(1)$ of the Internal Rev-
24	enue Code of 1986, calculated from the last day by
25	which such amount was required to be so paid or in-

1	vested to the date on which such amount is so paid
2	or invested.
3	"(e) Rules for Application of Section.—
4	"(1) Penalties assessed by commissioner
5	OF SOCIAL SECURITY.—Any civil penalty assessed by
6	this section shall be imposed by the Commissioner of
7	Social Security and collected in a civil action.
8	"(2) Compromises.—The Commissioner may
9	compromise the amount of any civil penalty imposed
10	by this section.
11	"(3) Authority to waive penalty in cer-
12	TAIN CASES.—The Commissioner may waive the ap-
13	plication of this section with respect to any failure
14	if the Commissioner determines that such failure is
15	due to reasonable cause and not to intentional dis-
16	regard of rules and regulations.
17	"SEC. 256. PERSONAL ACCOUNTS MANAGEMENT AND RE-
18	VIEW BOARD.
19	"(a) Personal Accounts Management and Re-
20	VIEW BOARD ESTABLISHED.—There is hereby estab-
21	lished, as an independent agency in the executive branch
22	of the Government, a Personal Accounts Management and
23	Review Board.
24	"(b) Composition and Appointment.—

1	"(1) In General.—The Board shall be com-
2	prised of 9 trustees—
3	"(A) 3 of whom are Government trustees
4	described in paragraph (2), and
5	"(B) 6 of whom are independent trustees
6	appointed under paragraph (3).
7	"(2) Government trustees.—
8	"(A) In General.—Of the Government
9	trustees—
10	"(i) 1 trustee shall be an officer or
11	employee of the Social Security Adminis-
12	tration who shall be appointed by the Com-
13	missioner of Social Security, shall serve at
14	the pleasure of the Commissioner, and
15	shall remain, while serving as a member,
16	as an officer or employee of the Social Se-
17	curity Administration,
18	"(ii) 1 trustee shall be the Secretary
19	of the Treasury, who shall serve ex officio,
20	and
21	"(iii) 1 trustee shall be an officer or
22	employee of the Securities and Exchange
23	Commission who shall be appointed by the
24	Chairman of the Commission, shall serve
25	at the pleasure of the Chairman of the

1	Commission, and shall remain, while serv-
2	ing as a member, as an officer or employee
3	of the Commission.
4	"(B) No additional compensation.—
5	Government trustees shall receive no additional
6	compensation for service on the Board, subject
7	to paragraph (4).
8	"(3) Independent trustees.—
9	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The independent
10	trustees shall be appointed by the President, by
11	and with the advice and consent of the Senate,
12	of whom one shall be designated by the Presi-
13	dent as Chairman.
14	"(B) Length of appointments.—
15	"(i) Terms.—An independent trustee
16	shall be appointed for a term of 3 years,
17	except that of the members first appointed
18	under subparagraph (A)—
19	"(I) the Chairman and one other
20	independent trustee shall be appointed
21	for a term of 3 years,
22	"(II) two other independent
23	trustees shall be appointed for a term
24	of 2 years, and

1	"(III) the two remaining inde-
2	pendent trustees shall be appointed
3	for a term of one year.
4	"(ii) Vacancies.—
5	"(I) IN GENERAL.—A vacancy or
6	the Board shall be filled in the man-
7	ner in which the original appointment
8	was made and shall be subject to any
9	conditions that applied with respect to
10	the original appointment.
11	"(II) Completion of term.—
12	An individual chosen to fill a vacancy
13	shall be appointed for the unexpired
14	term of the trustee replaced.
15	"(iii) Expiration.—The term of any
16	trustee shall not expire before the date or
17	which the trustee's successor takes office.
18	"(C) Commencement of terms.—The
19	terms of the independent trustees first ap-
20	pointed under this paragraph shall commence
21	on July 1 of the calendar year following the
22	date of the enactment of the SMART Act of
23	2009.
24	"(4) Expenses.—A trustee shall be paid trav-
25	el, per diem, and other necessary expenses under

1	subchapter I of chapter 57 of title 5 of the United
2	States Code while traveling away from such trustee's
3	home or regular place of business in the perform-
4	ance of duties for the Board.
5	"(c) Duties.—The Personal Accounts Management
6	and Review Board shall—
7	"(1) operate the Social Security Escrow Fund;
8	"(2) carry out its duties and responsibilities
9	under this title;
10	"(3) designate and regulate qualified social se-
11	curity mutual funds;
12	"(4) designate and regulate qualified social se-
13	curity annuities; and
14	"(5) make such recommendations to the Presi-
15	dent and the Congress as it may from time to time
16	deem advisable with respect to the operation of the
17	programs established under this title (relating to the
18	old age, survivors, and disability insurance program
19	and the personal social security savings program),
20	title VIII (relating to special benefits relating to cer-
21	tain World War II veterans), title XVI (relating to
22	supplemental security income for the aged, blind,
23	and disabled), title XVIII (relating to Medicare),
24	and title XIX (relating to Medicaid).

- 1 The power of the Board to regulate qualified social secu-
- 2 rity mutual funds and qualified social security annuities
- 3 shall not be construed to limit the regulatory authority
- 4 of other Federal and State agencies that may regulate
- 5 such funds or annuities.
- 6 "(d) SEAL.—The Board may adopt, alter, and use
- 7 a seal.
- 8 "(e) Exercise of Powers.—
- 9 "(1) ACTION BY QUORUM.—The Board shall
- perform the duties and exercise the powers of the
- Board on a majority vote of a quorum of the Board.
- Two of the Government trustees plus four of the
- independent trustees shall constitute a quorum for
- the transaction of business.
- 15 "(2) Vacancies.—A vacancy on the Board
- shall not impair the authority of a quorum of the
- 17 Board to perform the functions and exercise the
- powers of the Board.
- 19 "(f) Meetings.—The Board shall meet—
- 20 "(1) not less than once during each month, and
- 21 "(2) at additional times at the call of the Chair-
- 22 man or a quorum of the Board.
- 23 "(g) Limitations on Investments.—The Board
- 24 may not direct any person to invest or to cause to be in-
- 25 vested any amounts held in the personal social security

account of any individual in a specific qualified social security mutual fund or to dispose of or cause to be disposed 3 of any such investment. 4 "(h) DISCHARGE OF RESPONSIBILITIES.—The trustees shall discharge their responsibilities solely in the interest of the participating individuals and their beneficiaries 6 7 under this part.". 8 (b) Social Security Escrow Fund.— 9 (1) Merger of federal old-age and sur-10 VIVORS INSURANCE TRUST FUND AND FEDERAL DIS-11 ABILITY INSURANCE TRUST FUND INTO SOCIAL SE-12 CURITY ESCROW FUND.—Section 201 is amended by 13 striking all that precedes subsection (g) and insert-14 ing the following: 15 "SOCIAL SECURITY ESCROW FUND 16 "Establishment of Social Security Escrow Fund 17 "Sec. 201. (a)(1) In General.—There is estab-18 lished in the Treasury of the United States a trust fund 19 to be known as the 'Social Security Escrow Fund'. 20 "(2) Balance of Fund.— 21 "(A) In General.—Subject to subparagraph 22 (B), the Social Security Escrow Fund shall consist 23 of— 24 "(i) the securities held by the Federal Old-25 Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and

the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund

and the amount standing to the credit of such 1 Trust Funds on the effective date specified in 2 3 section 2(g)(1) of the SMART Act of 2009, 4 which securities and amount the Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer to the Social Secu-6 rity Escrow Fund on such date, 7 "(ii) such gifts and bequests as may be 8 made as provided in subsection (i)(1), and 9 "(iii) all amounts transferred to or depos-10 ited into the Social Security Escrow Fund pur-11 suant to subsection (b). 12 "(B) Investments and disbursements.— 13 The balance in the Social Security Escrow Fund 14 shall reflect the performance of investments of 15 amounts in the Social Security Escrow Fund attrib-16 utable to transferred or deposited amounts described 17 subparagraph (A) and reductions incurred 18 through any disbursements from the Social Security 19 Escrow Fund pursuant to subsection (d). 20 "(3) Trustees.—The Personal Accounts Manage-

21 ment and Review Board (hereinafter in this section re-22 ferred to as the 'Board') shall serve as trustees of the So-

23 cial Security Escrow Fund. The Secretary of the Treasury

24 shall serve as Managing Trustee of the Social Security Es-

25 crow Fund.

"(4) BUDGET AUTHORITY; APPROPRIATION.—This 1 part constitutes budget authority in advance of appropria-3 tions Acts and represents the obligation of the Board to 4 provide for the payment of amounts provided under this part. The amounts held in the Social Security Escrow Fund are hereby appropriated for payment of such amounts and shall remain available without fiscal year 8 limitation. 9 "Deposits Into Social Security Escrow Fund 10 "(b)(1) IN GENERAL.—During each calendar year commencing with or after the effective date specified in 12 section 2(g)(1) of the SMART Act of 2009, the Secretary of the Treasury shall deposit into the Social Security Escrow Fund, from amounts available in the general fund 14 15 of the Treasury, a total amount equal to the sum of— "(A) 100 percent of the employer contribution 16 17 (as defined in paragraph (3)) for the calendar year; 18 "(B) the amount of the taxes imposed under 19 section 3101(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 20 1986 on the wages paid during the calendar year 21 and the amount of the taxes imposed under section 22 1401(b) of such Code on self-employment income de-

rived during taxable years ending with or during the

calendar year;

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- 1 "(C) amounts received pursuant to section 2 254(a) (relating to disposition of part B benefits of 3 participating individuals electing to receive part A 4 retirement benefits);
 - "(D) the budget reform amount (as defined in section 6(a) of the SMART Act of 2009) for the fiscal year ending during such calendar year; and
 - "(E) all amounts appropriated for periods during such calendar year pursuant to section 1601 (relating to supplemental security income).
 - "(2) Transfers Based on Estimates.—
 - "(A) IN GENERAL.—The amounts deposited pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be transferred in at least monthly installments to the Social Security Escrow Fund.
 - "(B) Determination of amounts.—The amounts transferred under subparagraph (A) shall be transferred from time to time from the general fund of the Treasury, such amounts to be determined on the basis of estimates, made by the Commissioner of Social Security based on the best information available and certified to the Secretary of the Treasury, of the total amount specified in paragraph (1). Proper adjustments shall be made in amounts subsequently transferred to the extent prior esti-

1	mates were in excess of or were less than the actual
2	amounts to be transferred. The Secretary of the
3	Treasury and the Board shall timely provide to the
4	Commissioner of Social Security any information re-
5	quested by the Commissioner that the Commissioner
6	deems necessary to make the estimates and deter-
7	minations required by this subparagraph.
8	"(3) Employer Contribution.—For purposes of
9	paragraph (1)(A), the term 'employer contribution' means
10	for any calendar year, the sum of—
11	"(A) the amount of the taxes imposed under
12	section 3111 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986
13	with respect to the wages paid during the calendar
14	year, and
15	"(B) 50 percent of the amount of the taxes im-
16	posed under section 1401 of such Code on self-em-
17	ployment income derived during taxable years ending
18	with or during such calendar year.
19	"Investment of Amounts Held in the Social Security
20	Escrow Fund
21	"(c) The Board shall invest the amounts held in the
22	Social Security Escrow Fund in a diversified portfolio of
23	investment grade bonds and debentures issued by corpora-
24	tions, partnerships, limited liability companies, or trusts.

1	whose principal places of business are located in the
2	United States.
3	"Disbursements From Social Security Escrow Fund
4	"(d)(1) In General.—Except as provided in this
5	section, the sums in the Social Security Escrow Fund shall
6	be available for disbursement solely—
7	"(A) for payment by the Board, in accordance
8	with certifications by the Commissioner of Social Se-
9	curity pursuant to section 205(i), of—
10	"(i) part A retirement benefits;
11	"(ii) monthly insurance benefits under sub-
12	sections (d), (e), (f), (g), and (h) of section 202
13	"(iii) disability insurance benefits under
14	section 223;
15	"(iv) lump sum death benefits under sec-
16	tion 202(i);
17	"(B) for payment by the Board, in accordance
18	with certifications which shall be made by the Com-
19	missioner of Social Security, of supplemental secu-
20	rity income benefits under title XVI;
21	"(C) for transfers to the Federal Hospital In-
22	surance Trust Fund, in the amount of Medicare
23	benefits provided under part A of title XVIII;
24	"(D) for administrative expenses payable pursu-
25	ant to subsection (f); and

- 1 "(E) to the extent there are excess funds as of 2 the end of any fiscal year, for transfer to the general 3 fund of the Treasury pursuant to paragraph (2)(A).
- 4 "(2) Treatment of Excess Funds in the Social
- 5 Security Escrow Fund.—
- 6 "(A) IN GENERAL.—In any case in which there
 7 are excess funds in the Social Security Escrow Fund
 8 as of the end of any fiscal year, the Secretary of the
 9 Treasury shall, as soon as practicable after the end
 10 of such fiscal year, transfer from the such Fund to
 11 the general fund of the Treasury an amount equal
 12 to the amount of such excess funds.
 - "(B) Budgetary rules in connection with Excess funds.—For budgetary rules relating to excess funds in the Social Security Escrow Fund, see section 316 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (relating to dedication of social security surpluses to reduction in the public debt).
- "(3) EXCESS FUNDS.—For purposes of this sub-20 section, the term 'excess funds' means, in connection with 21 any fiscal year, funds held by the Social Security Escrow 22 Fund as of the end of the fiscal year in excess of \$100 23 billion that the Commissioner of Social Security deter-24 mines will not be necessary in the Social Security Escrow
- 25 Fund, taking into account projected receipts of such Fund

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- 1 and projected outlays of such Fund, to meet the obliga-
- 2 tions set forth in subparagraphs (A) through (D) of para-
- 3 graph (1) within the next 20 years.
- 4 "(4) LIMITATION.—The sums in the Social Security
- 5 Escrow Fund shall not be appropriated for any purpose
- 6 other than the purposes specified in this section and may
- 7 not be used for any other purpose.
- 8 "Borrowing Authorized
- 9 "(e) If the amounts held by Social Security Escrow
- 10 Fund are insufficient to pay the disbursements authorized
- 11 and required by this section, the Board may issue to the
- 12 Secretary of the Treasury notes or other obligations in an
- 13 aggregate amount equal to the amount of the insuffi-
- 14 ciency, in such forms and denominations, bearing such
- 15 maturities, and subject to such terms and conditions as
- 16 may be prescribed by such Secretary. Such notes or other
- 17 obligations shall bear interest at a rate determined by such
- 18 Secretary, taking into consideration the current average
- 19 market yield on outstanding marketable obligations of the
- 20 United States of comparable maturities during the month
- 21 preceding the issuance of such notes or other obligations
- 22 of the Board. Such Secretary shall purchase any notes or
- 23 other obligations issued by the Board under this sub-
- 24 section, and for that purpose such Secretary may use as
- 25 a public debt transaction the proceeds from the sale of

- 1 any securities issued under chapter 31 of title 31, United
- 2 States Code, and the purposes for which securities may
- 3 be issued under that chapter are extended to include any
- 4 purchase of such notes and obligations. Such Secretary
- 5 may at any time sell any of the notes or other obligations
- 6 acquired by such Secretary under this subsection. All re-
- 7 demptions, purchases, and sales by such Secretary of such
- 8 notes or other obligations shall be treated as public debt
- 9 transactions of the United States.
- "Government Accountability Office Report
- 11 "(f)(1) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of
- 12 the United States shall annually audit the financial state-
- 13 ments of the Social Security Escrow Fund and report to
- 14 each House of the Congress on—
- 15 "(A) the operations of the Social Security Es-
- 16 crow Fund,
- 17 "(B) the reasonableness of the administrative
- 18 expenses incurred,
- 19 "(C) the advisability of the investments made
- with funds in the Social Security Escrow Fund, and
- 21 "(D) such other matters as the Comptroller
- General may deem desirable.
- 23 "(2) RECOMMENDATIONS.—The Secretary of the
- 24 Treasury, the Commissioner of Social Security, and the
- 25 Board shall timely provide the Comptroller General with

1	whatever information is requested by the Comptroller Gen-
2	eral. The Comptroller General shall, in the Comptroller
3	General's report, make recommendations to each House
4	of the Congress and the Board as he deems appropriate
5	or advisable.".
6	(2) Conforming amendments; rule of con-
7	STRUCTION.—
8	(A) AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 201.—Sec-
9	tion 201 of such Act is amended further—
10	(i) in subsection (g)(1)(A), by striking
11	"Managing Trustee of the Trust Funds"
12	and all that follows through "into the
13	Treasury" and inserting "Secretary of the
14	Treasury shall pay from the Social Secu-
15	rity Escrow Fund, the Federal Hospital
16	Insurance Trust Fund, and the Federal
17	Supplementary Insurance Trust Fund
18	(hereinafter in this paragraph referred to
19	as the 'Trust Funds') into the Treasury';
20	(ii) by striking "Managing Trustee"
21	each place such term otherwise appears
22	and inserting "Secretary of the Treasury";
23	(iii) by striking the last 2 sentences of
24	subsection $(g)(1)(A)$;

1	(iv) in subsection $(g)(1)(B)(i)$, by
2	striking subclauses (II) and (III) and in-
3	serting the following:
4	"(II) the portion of such costs which
5	should have been borne by the Social Secu-
6	rity Escrow Fund,",
7	and by redesignating subclasses (IV) and
8	(V) as subclauses (III) and (IV), respec-
9	tively;
10	(v) in subsection (g)(1)(C), by striking
11	"Secretary shall" and inserting "Secretary
12	of Health and Human Services shall";
13	(vi) in subsection (g)(1)(C)(ii), by in-
14	serting "of Health and Human Services"
15	after "Secretary";
16	(vii) in subsection $(g)(1)(D)$, by in-
17	serting "of Health and Human Services"
18	after "Secretary";
19	(viii) in subsection (g)(2), by striking
20	the last sentence;
21	(ix) in subsection (g)(4), by striking
22	"Board of Trustees of such Trust Funds"
23	and inserting "Board", and by striking
24	"Boards of Trustees of such Trust Funds
25	consider such action advisable, they' and

1	inserting "Board considers such action ad-
2	visable, the Board';
3	(x) by striking subsection (h);
4	(xi) in subsection (i)(1), by striking
5	"the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insur-
6	ance Trust Fund, the Federal Disability
7	Insurance Trust Fund," and inserting "the
8	Social Security Escrow Fund,";
9	(xii) in subsection (i)(2)(B), by strik-
10	ing "Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insur-
11	ance Trust Fund" and inserting "Social
12	Security Escrow Fund';
13	(xiii) in subsection (j), by striking
14	"the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insur-
15	ance Trust Fund, or the Federal Disability
16	Insurance Trust Fund (as determined ap-
17	propriate by the Commissioner of Social
18	Security)" and inserting "the Social Secu-
19	rity Escrow Fund";
20	(xiv) in subsection (k), by striking
21	"the Federal Disability Insurance Trust
22	Fund and the Federal Old-Age Insurance
23	Trust Fund, as determined appropriate by
24	the Commissioner of Social Security' and

1	inserting "the Social Security Escrow
2	Fund'';
3	(xv) by striking subsection (l);
4	(xvi) in subsection (m)(3), by striking
5	"one of the Trust Funds" and inserting
6	"the Social Security Escrow Fund", and
7	by striking "such Trust Fund" each place
8	it appears and inserting "such Fund";
9	(xvii) by striking subsection (n); and
10	(xviii) by redesignating subsections
11	(i), (j), (k), and (m) (as amended by this
12	subparagraph) as subsections (h), (i), (j),
13	and (k), respectively.
14	(B) Other conforming amendments.—
15	(i) Title II of the Social Security Act
16	is amended—
17	(I) in section $202(x)(2)(B)(iii)$
18	(42 U.S.C. 402(x)(2)(B)(iii)), by
19	striking "the Federal Old-Age and
20	Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and
21	the Federal Disability Insurance
22	Trust Fund, as appropriate," and in-
23	serting "the Social Security Escrow
24	Fund";

1	(II) in section $206(d)(5)$ (42)
2	U.S.C. $406(d)(5)$), by striking "the
3	Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insur-
4	ance Trust Fund and the Federal
5	Disability Insurance Trust Fund, as
6	appropriate" and inserting "the Social
7	Security Escrow Fund";
8	(III) in section $208(b)(5)$ (42)
9	U.S.C. 408(b)(5)), by striking "the
10	Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insur-
11	ance Trust Fund, or the Federal Dis-
12	ability Insurance Trust Fund, as ap-
13	propriate" and inserting "the Social
14	Security Escrow Fund";
15	(IV) in section $215(i)(1)(F)$ (42)
16	U.S.C. $415(i)(1)(F)$), by striking "the
17	Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insur-
18	ance Trust Fund" each place it ap-
19	pears and inserting "the Social Secu-
20	rity Escrow Fund";
21	(V) in section $217(g)(1)(A)$ (42)
22	U.S.C. $417(g)(1)(A)$), by striking "the
23	Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insur-
24	ance Trust Fund, the Federal Dis-
25	ability Insurance Trust Fund, and"

1	and inserting "the Social Security Es-
2	erow Fund and";
3	(VI) in section 221(e) (42 U.S.C.
4	421(e)), by striking the last sentence;
5	(VII) in section $222(d)(1)$ (42)
6	U.S.C. $422(d)(1)$), by striking "the
7	Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insur-
8	ance Trust Fund and the Federal
9	Disability Insurance Trust Fund" and
10	inserting "the Social Security Escrow
11	Fund'';
12	(VIII) by striking section
13	222(d)(4) (42 U.S.C. $422(d)(4)$) and
14	inserting the following:
15	"(4) The Commissioner of Social Security shall
16	determine according to such methods and procedures
17	as the Commissioner may deem appropriate the total
18	amount to be reimbursed by money paid from the
19	Social Security Escrow Fund for the cost of services
20	under this subsection."; and
21	(IX) in section 228(g) (42 U.S.C.
22	428(g)), by striking "the Federal Old-
23	Age and Survivors Insurance Trust
24	Fund" and inserting "the Social Se-
25	curity Escrow Fund".

1	(ii) Title VII of such Act is amend-
2	ed—
3	(I) in section 703(j) (42 U.S.C.
4	903(j)), by striking "the Federal Dis-
5	ability Insurance Trust Fund, the
6	Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insur-
7	ance Trust Fund," and inserting "the
8	Social Security Escrow Fund";
9	(II) in section 709 (42 U.S.C.
10	910), by striking "the Board of
11	Trustees of the Federal Old-Age and
12	Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and
13	the Federal Disability Insurance
14	Trust Fund, the Federal Hospital In-
15	surance Trust Fund, or the Federal
16	Supplementary Medical Insurance
17	Trust Fund determines at any time
18	that the balance ratio of any such
19	Trust Fund" in subsection (a) and in-
20	serting "the Personal Accounts Man-
21	agement and Review Board or the
22	Board of Trustees of the Federal
23	Hospital Insurance Trust Fund or the
24	Federal Supplementary Medical In-
25	surance Trust Fund determines at

1 any time that the balance ratio of the 2 trust fund consisting of the Social Se-3 curity Escrow Fund (in the case of the Personal Accounts Management and Review Board) or either the Fed-6 eral Hospital Insurance Trust Fund 7 or the Federal Supplementary Medical 8 Insurance Trust Fund (in the case of 9 such Board of Trustees)", by striking 10 "for amounts which will be paid from 11 the Federal Old-Age and Survivors 12 Insurance Trust Fund and the Fed-13 eral Disability Insurance Trust Fund," and inserting "for amounts 14 15 which will be paid from the Social Se-16 curity Escrow Fund," and by striking 17 "Trust Fund" each other place it ap-18 pears and inserting "trust fund"; and 19 (III)section 710(a)in U.S.C. 911(a)) by striking "the Fed-20 21 eral Old-Age and Survivors Insurance 22 Trust Fund and the Federal Dis-23 ability Insurance Trust Fund" and inserting "the Social Security Escrow 24 25 Fund".

1	(iii) Title XI of such Act is amend-
2	ed—
3	(I) in section 1106 (42 U.S.C.
4	1306), by striking by striking "the
5	Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insur-
6	ance Trust Fund, the Federal Dis-
7	ability Insurance Trust Fund" and in-
8	serting "the Social Security Escrow
9	Fund,";
10	(II) in section $1129(e)(2)(A)$ (42)
11	U.S.C. 1320a-8(e)(2)(A)), by striking
12	"shall be transferred" and all that fol-
13	lows and inserting "shall be trans-
14	ferred to the Secretary of the Treas-
15	ury, and such amounts shall be depos-
16	ited by such Secretary into the Social
17	Security Escrow Fund.";
18	(III) in section $1145(c)$ (42)
19	U.S.C. 1320b–15(e)), by striking
20	paragraphs (1) and (2) and inserting
21	the following:
22	"(1) the Social Security Escrow Fund;",
23	and by redesignating paragraphs (3)
24	and (4) as paragraphs (2) and (3), re-
25	spectively; and

1	(IV) in section $1148(j)(1)(A)$ (42)
2	U.S.C. $1320b-19(j)(1)(A)$, by strik-
3	ing "the Federal Old-Age and Sur-
4	vivors Insurance Trust Fund and the
5	Federal Disability Insurance Trust
6	Fund" and inserting "the Social Se-
7	curity Escrow Fund", and by striking
8	the last sentence.
9	(iv) Title XVIII of such Act is amend-
10	ed —
11	(I) in section 1817(g) (42 U.S.C.
12	1395i(g)), by striking "from the Fed-
13	eral Old-Age and Survivors Insurance
14	Trust Fund and from the Federal
15	Disability Insurance Trust Fund" and
16	inserting "from the Social Security
17	Escrow Fund";
18	(II) in section $1817(j)(1)$ (42)
19	U.S.C. 1395i(j)(1)), by striking "from
20	either the Federal Old-Age and Sur-
21	vivors Insurance Trust Fund or the
22	Federal Disability Insurance Trust
23	Fund" and inserting "from the Social
24	Security Escrow Fund";

1	(III) in section $1817(j)(3)(B)(i)$
2	(42 U.S.C. 1395i(j)(3)(B)(i)), by
3	striking "the Federal Old-Age and
4	Survivors Insurance Trust Fund or
5	the Federal Disability Insurance
6	Trust Fund" and inserting "the So-
7	cial Security Escrow Fund";
8	(IV) in section $1817(j)(3)(B)(i)$
9	(42 U.S.C. 1395i(j)(3)(B)(i)), by
10	striking "the Federal Old-Age and
11	Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and
12	the Federal Disability Insurance
13	Trust Fund" and inserting "the So-
14	cial Security Escrow Fund";
15	(V) in section $1817(j)(5)(B)(i)$
16	(42 U.S.C. 1395i(j)(5)(B)(i)), by
17	striking "the Federal Old-Age and
18	Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and
19	the Federal Disability Insurance
20	Trust Fund" and inserting "the So-
21	cial Security Escrow Fund";
22	(VI) in section $1817(j)(3)(B)(ii)$
23	(42 U.S.C. 1395i(j)(3)(B)(ii)), by
24	striking "the Federal Old-Age and
25	Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and

1	the Federal Disability Insurance
2	Trust Fund" and inserting "the So-
3	cial Security Escrow Fund';
4	(VII) in section 1817, by adding
5	at the end the following new sub-
6	section:
7	"(1) Transfers From Social Security Escrow
8	FUND.—There are hereby transferred periodically to the
9	Trust Fund from the Social Security Escrow Fund
10	amounts provided under section 201(d)(1)(C).";
11	(VIII) in section $1840(a)(2)$ (42)
12	U.S.C. $1395s(a)(2)$), by striking "the
13	Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insur-
14	ance Trust Fund and the Federal
15	Disability Insurance Trust Fund" and
16	inserting "the Social Security Escrow
17	Fund"; and
18	(IX) in section 1841(f) (42
19	U.S.C. 1395t(f)), by striking "from
20	the Federal Old-Age and Survivors
21	Insurance Trust Fund and from the
22	Federal Disability Insurance Trust
23	Fund" and inserting "from the Social
24	Security Escrow Fund".

1	(v) Amendments to the railroad
2	RETIREMENT ACT OF 1974.—Section 7 of
3	the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974 (45
4	U.S.C. 231e) is amended—
5	(I) in subsection $(b)(2)$ (45)
6	U.S.C. $231e(b)(2)$, by striking "the
7	Managing Trustee of the Federal Old-
8	Age and Survivors Insurance Trust
9	Fund and the Federal Disability In-
10	surance Trust Fund" and inserting
11	"the Secretary of the Treasury";
12	(II) in subsection $(c)(2)$ (45)
13	U.S.C. $231e(c)(2)$), by striking "the
14	Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insur-
15	ance Trust Fund, the Federal Dis-
16	ability Insurance Trust Fund, and the
17	Federal Hospital Insurance Trust
18	Fund would place each such Trust
19	Fund" and inserting "either of the
20	trust funds consisting of the Social
21	Security Escrow Fund and the Fed-
22	eral Hospital Insurance Trust Fund
23	would place such trust fund", by
24	striking "from the Federal Old-Age
25	and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund.

1	the Federal Disability Insurance
2	Trust Fund, or the Federal Hospital
3	Insurance Trust or to any such Trust
4	Fund" and inserting "from the Social
5	Security Escrow Fund or the Federal
6	Hospital Insurance Trust Fund or to
7	either such trust fund" and by strik-
8	ing "Trust Fund" each other place it
9	appears and inserting "trust fund";
10	and
11	(III) in subsection $(c)(4)$ (45)
12	U.S.C. $231(c)(4)$), by striking "the
13	Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insur-
14	ance Trust Fund, the Federal Dis-
15	ability Insurance Trust Fund, and the
16	Federal Hospital Insurance Trust
17	Fund" and inserting "the trust funds
18	consisting of the Social Security Es-
19	crow Fund and the Federal Hospital
20	Insurance Trust Fund", and by strik-
21	ing "Trust Funds" each place it ap-
22	pears and inserting "trust funds".
23	(vi) Rule of construction.—
24	Whenever any reference is made in any
25	provision of law (other than this title or a

1	provision of law amended by this title),
2	regulation, rule, record, or document to the
3	Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance
4	Trust Fund, the Federal Disability Insur-
5	ance Trust Fund, or both such Trust
6	Funds, such reference shall be considered
7	a reference to the Social Security Escrow
8	Fund.
9	(e) Amounts Deducted To Be Shown on W–2 $$
10	Statements.—Subsection (a) of section 6051 of the In-
11	ternal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to receipts for em-
12	ployees) is amended—
13	(1) by striking 'and' at the end of paragraph
14	(8);
15	(2) by striking the period at the end of para-
16	graph (9) and inserting ", and"; and
17	(3) by inserting after paragraph (9) the fol-
18	lowing new paragraph:
19	(10) the total amount deducted from the em-
20	ployee's wages under a social security payroll deduc-
21	tion plan established under part B of title II of the
22	Social Security Act.".
23	(d) Exemption From ERISA Requirements.—
24	Subsection (b) of section 4 of the Employee Retirement

1	Income Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1003(b)) is
2	amended—
3	(1) by striking "or" at the end of paragraph
4	(4);
5	(2) by striking the period at the end of para-
6	graph (5) and inserting "; or"; and
7	(3) by adding at the end the following new
8	paragraph:
9	"(6) such plan is a social security payroll de-
10	duction plan established under part B of title II of
11	the Social Security Act.".
12	(e) Compensation of Personal Accounts Man-
13	AGEMENT AND REVIEW BOARD.—
14	(1) Compensation of Chairman.—Section
15	5314 of title 5 of the United States Code (relating
16	to positions at level III of the Executive Schedule)
17	is amended by adding at the end the following "."
18	"Chairman, Personal Accounts Management
19	and Review Board.".
20	(2) Compensation of independent trust-
21	EES.—Section 5315 of such title 5 (relating to posi-
22	tions at level IV of the Executive Schedule) is
23	amended by adding at the end the following:

1	"Independent Trustee (other than Chairman)
2	Personal Accounts Management and Review
3	Board.".
4	(f) Conforming Amendments.—Section 201(h) of
5	such Act (42 U.S.C. 401(h)) is amended—
6	(1) by striking "All other" in the second sen-
7	tence and inserting "Except as provided in section
8	256, all other"; and
9	(2) by adding at the end the following new sen-
10	tence: "Any reference in this part to benefits under
11	this title shall be deemed a reference to benefits en-
12	titlement to which arises under this part.".
13	(g) Effective Dates.—
14	(1) In general.—Except as provided in para-
15	graph (2), the amendments made by this section
16	shall take effect January 1 of the second calendar
17	year following the date of the enactment of this Act
18	(2) Establishment of Personal accounts
19	MANAGEMENT AND REVIEW BOARD.—Section 256 of
20	the Social Security Act (as added by this section)
21	shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this
22	Act.

SEC. 3. MEDICARE PROGRAM REVISION.

- 2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title XVIII of the Social Security
- 3 Act is amended by inserting after section 1808 the fol-
- 4 lowing new section:
- 5 "MEDICARE PROGRAM REVISIONS IN CONNECTION WITH
- 6 ESTABLISHMENT OF PERSONAL SOCIAL SECURITY
- 7 ACCOUNTS
- 8 "Sec. 1809. (a) Phase-in of Increased Coinsur-
- 9 ANCE.—
- 10 "(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other 11 provision of law, there is hereby imposed, with re-12 spect to the amount of benefits for items and serv-13 ices furnished in a year (beginning with 2034) under 14 this title, coinsurance in the participation percentage 15 specified in paragraph (2) for the year. Such coin-16 surance shall apply after the application of any cost-17 sharing (including deductibles and copayments) that 18 are otherwise applicable under this title.
 - "(2) Participation percentage.—The participation percentage for any year shall be determined in accordance with the following:

"Participation

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percentage is:	
2.00 percent	2034
4.00 percent	2035
6.00 percent	
8.00 percent	2037
11.00 percent	2038
14.00 percent	2039
17.00 percent	2040
20.00 percent	

	"Participation
	percentage is:
	24.00 percent
	28.00 percent
	32.00 percent
	40.00 percent
	45.00 percent
	50.00 percent
	55.00 percent
	60.00 percent
	65.00 percent
	70.00 percent
	75.00 percent
	80.00 percent
	90.00 percent
	95.00 percent
	100.00 percent
1	"(b) Rules Relating to Application of Add
2	TIONAL COINSURANCE.—
3	"(1) Part d.—In applying subsection (a
4	under part D (and under part C to MA-Pl
5	plans)—
6	"(A) the standard prescription drug cov
7	erage under section 1860D–2(b) shall be mode
8	fied through the application of the additional
9	7 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
7	coinsurance under subsection (a); and
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	coinsurance under subsection (a); and
10	coinsurance under subsection (a); and "(B) in applying section 1860D–14, suc
10 11	coinsurance under subsection (a); and "(B) in applying section 1860D–14, succeinsurance shall be treated as beneficiary coin
10 11 12	coinsurance under subsection (a); and "(B) in applying section 1860D–14, suc coinsurance shall be treated as beneficiary coin surance described in section 1860D–2(b)(2).
10 11 12 13	coinsurance under subsection (a); and "(B) in applying section 1860D–14, succeinsurance shall be treated as beneficiary coinsurance described in section 1860D–2(b)(2). "(2) Medicare savings program.—In apply

1	"(3) Medigap.—The benefits required of medi-
2	care supplemental policies under section 1882 shall
3	be determined without regard to such additional co-
4	insurance and no payments shall be made under
5	such a policy for such additional coinsurance.
6	"(4) Group Health Plans.—Unless otherwise
7	specifically provided after the date of the enactment
8	of this section, no provision of any group health plan
9	that refers to coinsurance or cost-sharing under this
10	title shall be treated as including such additional co-
11	insurance.
12	"(5) Coverage.—Nothing in this section shall
13	be construed as preventing the payment of addi-
14	tional coinsurance under subsection (a) from being
15	made—
16	"(A) from proceeds from a personal social
17	security account under section 252; or
18	"(B) from coverage under a high deduct-
19	ible health plan (as defined in section $223(e)(2)$
20	of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986) or under
21	any other health policy or plan, other than a
22	medicare supplemental policy.
23	"(c) Limitation on Reelection of Part B or
24	PART D COVERAGE.—On or after January 1, 2034, if an

- 1 individual is eligible for coverage under part B or part D
- 2 and—
- 3 "(1) does not elect such coverage, or
- 4 "(2) elects such coverage and subsequently
- 5 change the election so as to no longer have such cov-
- 6 erage,
- 7 such an election shall be irrevocable and the individual
- 8 may not subsequently elect the respective coverage.".
- 9 (b) Requirement for High Deductible Insur-
- 10 ANCE FOR MEDICARE RETIREES.—
- 11 (1) IN GENERAL.—For each month (beginning with January following the period of 25 calendar years following the date of the enactment of this Act) in which an individual is 65 years of age or
- older and is eligible for benefits under part A, or to
- enroll for benefits under part B, of title XVIII of the
- 17 Social Security Act, the individual is required to be
- enrolled under a high deductible health plan (as de-
- fined in section 223(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue
- Code of 1986) or under another health benefits plan
- 21 that includes benefits at least as comprehensive as
- those provided in such a high deductible health plan.
- 23 (2) Imposition of tax on failure to ob-
- TAIN COVERAGE.—Subchapter A of chapter 1 of the

1	Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by add-
2	ing at the end the following new part:
3	"PART VIII—TAX ON FAILURE OF MEDICARE RE-
4	TIREES TO OBTAIN QUALIFIED HEALTH IN-
5	SURANCE COVERAGE
	"Sec. 59B. Failure of Medicare retirees to obtain qualified health insurance coverage.
6	"SEC. 59B. FAILURE OF MEDICARE RETIREES TO OBTAIN
7	QUALIFIED HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE.
8	"(a) In General.—In the case of any individual who
9	is eligible for benefits under part A, or to enroll for bene-
10	fits under part B, of title XVIII of the Social Security
11	Act, there is hereby imposed a tax with respect to each
12	month beginning in the taxable year with respect to which
13	such individual is not covered under qualified health insur-
14	ance at all times during such month.
15	"(b) Amount of Tax.—The tax imposed under sub-
16	section (a) with respect to any individual for any month
17	shall be equal to the greater of—
18	"(1) the amount determined by the Secretary of
19	Health and Human Services to be equal to the cost
20	of coverage under a high deductible health plan for
21	such month, or
22	"(2) $\frac{1}{12}$ of the increase in such individual's tax
23	liability which would occur under section 1 for the

- 1 taxable year in which such month begins if section
- 2 139B did not apply for such taxable year.
- 3 "(c) Exception for Months Before Individual
- 4 Attains Age 65.—Subsection (a) shall not apply with re-
- 5 spect to any individual for any month unless such indi-
- 6 vidual has attained age 65 as of the first day of such
- 7 month.
- 8 "(d) Qualified Health Insurance.—For pur-
- 9 poses of this section, the term 'qualified health insurance'
- 10 means a high deductible health plan (as defined in section
- 11 223(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986) or an-
- 12 other health benefits plan that includes benefits at least
- 13 as comprehensive as those provided in such a high deduct-
- 14 ible health plan.".
- 15 (3) Notification of treasury by hhs of
- 16 FAILURES.—If the Secretary of Health and Human
- 17 Services determines that an individual has failed to
- meet the requirement of paragraph (1) for a month,
- the Secretary shall inform the Secretary of the
- Treasury of such fact.
- 21 (4) Availability of tax receipts.—
- Amounts collected under section 59B of the Internal
- Revenue Code of 1986 shall be deposited into an ac-
- count in the Treasury that shall be available to the
- 25 Secretary of Health and Human Services to reim-

1	burse hospitals and other health care providers for
2	bad debts related to the provision of health care
3	services to individuals with respect to whom a tax is
4	imposed under such section.
5	SEC. 4. EMPLOYMENT TAXES, TAX ON SELF-EMPLOYMENT
6	INCOME.
7	(a) FICA TAX ON EMPLOYERS.—Section 3111 of the
8	Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at
9	the end the following new subsection:
10	"(d) REDUCTION IN RATE OF TAX TO REFLECT
11	Funding of Social Security Escrow Fund.—
12	"(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary makes the
13	certification described in paragraph (2) in any cal-
14	endar year, the rate of tax imposed by subsection (a)
15	shall be reduced by the Secretary for the next cal-
16	endar year to a rate such that—
17	"(A) the Social Security Escrow Fund is
18	projected not to have excess funds during such
19	next calendar year, and
20	"(B) the rate of tax imposed by section
21	1401(a) is equal to the sum of the tax imposed
22	by subsection (a) and section 3101(a).
23	"(2) Certification.—If in any calendar year
24	the Social Security Escrow Fund is projected—

1	"(A) to have excess funds during the next
2	calendar year, and
3	"(B) to have no need to borrow funds for
4	the next 10 calendar years,
5	then the Secretary shall certify such projection not
6	later than September 30th of calendar year in which
7	such projection was made.
8	"(3) Excess funds.—For purposes of this
9	subsection, the term 'excess funds' means that the
10	Social Security Escrow Fund will not have a balance
11	below \$100 billion at any time during the calendar
12	year.".
13	(b) Tax on Self-Employment Income.—Section
14	1401 of such Code is amended by adding at the end the
15	following new subsections:
16	"(d) REDUCTION IN RATE OF TAX TO REFLECT
17	Funding of Social Security Escrow Fund.—
18	"(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary makes the
19	certification described in paragraph (2) in any cal-
20	endar year, the rate of tax imposed by subsection (a)
21	shall be reduced by the Secretary for taxable years
22	beginning in the next calendar year to a rate such
23	that—

1	"(A) the Social Security Escrow Fund is
2	projected not to have excess funds during such
3	next calendar year, and
4	"(B) the rate of tax imposed by subsection
5	(a) is equal to the sum of the tax imposed by
6	section 3111(a) and section 3101(a).
7	"(2) Certification.—If in any calendar year
8	the Social Security Escrow Fund is projected by the
9	Social Security Administration—
10	"(A) to have excess funds during the next
11	calendar year, and
12	"(B) to have no need to borrow funds for
13	the next 10 calendar years,
14	then the Secretary shall certify such projection not
15	later than September 30th of calendar year in which
16	such projection was made.
17	"(3) Excess funds.—For purposes of the pre-
18	ceding paragraph, excess funds means that the So-
19	cial Security Escrow Fund will not have a balance
20	below \$100 billion at any time during the calendar
21	year.
22	"(e) REDUCTION IN RATE OF TAX TO REFLECT
23	Funding of Personal Social Security Account.—
24	The amount of the tax which would (but for this sub-
25	section) be imposed by subsection (a) on the self-employ-

- 1 ment income of an individual for a taxable year shall be
- 2 reduced (but not below zero) by any amount the self-em-
- 3 ployed individual deposits in the personal social security
- 4 account of the individual under section 251(b)(1) of the
- 5 Social Security Act for the taxable year.".
- 6 (c) FICA TAX ON EMPLOYEES.—Section 3101 of
- 7 such Code is amended by adding at the end the following
- 8 new subsection:
- 9 "(d) Reduction in Rate of Tax To Reflect
- 10 Funding of Personal Social Security Account.—
- 11 The amount of the tax which would (but for this sub-
- 12 section) be imposed by subsection (a) on the income of
- 13 any individual for any calendar year shall be reduced (but
- 14 not below zero) by any amount the employer of such indi-
- 15 vidual pays to the individual's personal social security ac-
- 16 count under section 251(a)(2)(B) of the Social Security
- 17 Act for the calendar year.".
- 18 (d) Social Security and Medicare Contribu-
- 19 TIONS NOT REQUIRED WITH RESPECT TO RETIREES.—
- 20 (1) Section 3101 of such Code is amended by
- adding at the end the following new subsection:
- 22 "(e) No FICA Tax With Respect to Individual
- 23 Who Has Attained Retirement Age.—The tax im-
- 24 posed by this section shall not be imposed on the income

- 1 of any individual who has attained retirement age (as de-
- 2 fined in section 216(l) of the Social Security Act).".
- 3 (2) Section 3111 of such Code, as amended by
- 4 this section, is amended by adding at the end the
- 5 following new subsection:
- 6 "(e) No FICA TAX WITH RESPECT TO INDIVIDUAL
- 7 Who has attained Retirement Age.—The tax im-
- 8 posed by this section shall not be imposed with respect
- 9 to the wages of any individual who has attained retirement
- 10 age (as defined in section 216(l) of the Social Security
- 11 Act).".
- 12 (3) Section 1401 of such Code, as amended by
- this section, is amended by adding at the end the
- 14 following new subsection:
- 15 "(f) No SECA TAX WITH RESPECT TO INDIVIDUAL
- 16 Who Has Attained Retirement Age.—The tax im-
- 17 posed by this section shall not be imposed on the self-em-
- 18 ployment income of any individual who has attained retire-
- 19 ment age (as defined in section 216(l) of the Social Secu-
- 20 rity Act).".
- 21 SEC. 5. TAX TREATMENT OF DISTRIBUTIONS.
- 22 (a) IN GENERAL.—
- 23 (1) Paragraph (1) of Section 86(d) of the Inter-
- 24 nal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to social security

- benefit) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
- 2 lowing new flush sentence:
- 3 "Such term does not include any distribution from
- 4 a personal social security account or any amount re-
- 5 ceived as an annuity under a qualified social security
- 6 annuity.".
- 7 (2) Part III of subchapter B of chapter 1 of
- 8 such Code (relating to items specifically excluded
- 9 from gross income) is amended by inserting after
- section 139A the following new section:
- 11 "SEC. 139B. DISTRIBUTIONS FROM PERSONAL SOCIAL SE-
- 12 CURITY ACCOUNTS AND QUALIFIED SOCIAL
- 13 SECURITY ANNUITIES.
- "Gross income shall not include any distribution from
- 15 a personal social security account or any amount received
- 16 as an annuity under a qualified social security annuity,
- 17 including any disinvestment and transfer pursuant to sec-
- 18 tion 252(f) of the Social Security Act.".
- 19 (b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 20 this section shall apply to distributions and amounts re-
- 21 ceived as an annuity after the date of the enactment of
- 22 this Act.
- 23 SEC. 6. FEDERAL BUDGET REFORMS.
- 24 (a) Annual Transfer of Budget Reform
- 25 Amount.—Not later than November 30 of each calendar

- 1 year commencing with or after the effective date referred
- 2 to in section 2(g)(1) of this Act, the Secretary of Treasury
- 3 shall transfer, from funds available in the general fund
- 4 of the Treasury to the Social Security Escrow Fund, the
- 5 budget reform amount (if any) for the fiscal year ending
- 6 on September 30 of such year. Such budget reform
- 7 amount for each such fiscal year is hereby appropriated,
- 8 and shall remain available without fiscal year limitation,
- 9 for the purposes set forth in section 252(b)(1)(D) of the
- 10 Social Security Act (as amended by this Act).
- 11 (b) Budget Reform Amount Defined.—For pur-
- 12 poses of this section, the term "budget reform amount"
- 13 means, for any fiscal year, any tax revenues received by
- 14 the Government of the United States during the previous
- 15 fiscal year in excess of the target revenue amount for such
- 16 previous fiscal year.
- 17 (c) Target Revenue Amount.—For purposes of
- 18 this section, the target revenue amount for a fiscal year
- 19 is the amount set forth in connection with such fiscal year
- 20 in the following table:

For the following	The target
fiscal year:	revenue amount is:
2010	\$2,226,583,000
2011	\$2,289,781,000
2012	\$2,351,340,000
2013	\$2,414,388,000
2014	\$2,476,624,000
2015	\$2,539,686,000
2016	. , , , ,
2017	
2018	

For the fiscal	following	The target nue amount is:
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		\$2,759,941,000
		\$2,801,574,000
		\$2,844,392,000
		\$2,883,904,000
		\$2,930,783,000
		\$2,979,408,000
		\$3,025,851,000
		\$3,076,055,000
		\$3,125,712,000
		\$3,176,333,000
		\$3,223,483,000
		\$3,274,179,000
		\$3,323,715,000
		\$3,372,756,000
		\$3,426,555,000
		\$3,485,485,000
2035		\$3,541,705,000
2036		\$3,599,813,000
2037		\$3,666,494,000
2038		\$3,735,584,000
2039		\$3,809,846,000
2040		\$3,883,455,000
2041		\$3,955,701,000
2042		\$4,033,543,000
2043		\$4,113,343,000
2044		\$4,188,523,000
2045		\$4,270,982,000
2046		\$4,351,604,000
2047		\$4,434,549,000
2048		\$4,517,034,000
2049		\$4,600,903,000
2050		\$4,689,922,000
2051		\$4,783,922,000
2052		\$4,873,926,000
2053		\$4,969,960,000
2054		\$5,062,068,000
2055		\$5,159,031,000
		\$5,256,136,000
		\$5,354,613,000
		\$5,447,721,000
		\$5,549,438,000
		\$5,651,129,000
		\$5,752,442,000
		\$5,864,053,000
		\$5,978,264,000
		\$6,091,036,000
		\$6,217,270,000
		\$6,338,021,000
		\$6,454,702,000
		\$6,577,762,000
		\$6,698,285,000
		\$6,819,665,000
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1	(d) Dedication of Social Security Surpluses
2	TO REDUCTION IN THE PUBLIC DEBT.—
3	(1) In General.—Title III of the Congres-
4	sional Budget Act of 1974 is amended by adding at
5	the end the following new section:
6	"DEDICATION OF SOCIAL SECURITY SURPLUSES TO
7	REDUCTION IN THE PUBLIC DEBT
8	"Sec. 316. (a) In General.—
9	"(1) Concurrent resolutions on the
10	BUDGET.—It shall not be in order in the House of
11	Representatives or the Senate to consider any con-
12	current resolution on the budget, or an amendment
13	thereto or conference report thereon, that would set
14	forth a deficit for any fiscal year for which there are
15	projected excess assets in the Social Security Escrow
16	Fund.
17	"(2) Spending and tax legislation.—It
18	shall not be in order in the House of Representatives
19	or the Senate to consider any bill, joint resolution,
20	amendment, motion, or conference report if—
21	"(A) the enactment of that bill or resolu-
22	tion, as reported;
23	"(B) the adoption and enactment of that
24	amendment; or

1 "(C) the enactment of that bill or resolu-2 tion in the form recommended in that con-3 ference report,

> would cause a deficit for any fiscal year for which there are projected excess assets in the Social Security Escrow Fund.

"(b) Enforcement.—

"(1) Budgetary Levels with respect to concurrent resolutions on the budget, as reported, or in the concurrent resolution on the budget, as reported, or in the conference report on the concurrent resolution on the budget, as lowable under all procedures that allow budgetary aggregates to be adjusted for legislation that would cause a decrease in any surplus or an increase in any deficit for any fiscal year covered by the concurrent resolution on the budget (other than procedures described in paragraph (2)(A)(ii)).

"(2) Current Levels with respect to spending and tax legislation.—

1	"(A) In general.—For purposes of en-
2	forcing subsection (a)(2), the extent to which
3	there is a deficit for any fiscal year shall be—
4	"(i) calculated using the following as-
5	sumptions—
6	"(I) direct spending and revenue
7	levels at the baseline levels underlying
8	the most recently agreed to concur-
9	rent resolution on the budget; and
10	"(II) for the budget year, discre-
11	tionary spending levels at current law
12	levels and, for outyears, discretionary
13	spending levels at the baseline levels
14	underlying the most recently agreed to
15	concurrent resolution on the budget;
16	and
17	"(ii) adjusted for changes in the sur-
18	plus or deficit levels set forth in the most
19	recently agreed to concurrent resolution on
20	the budget pursuant to procedures in such
21	resolution that authorize adjustments in
22	budgetary aggregates for updated economic
23	and technical assumptions in the mid-ses-
24	sion report of the Director of the Congres-
25	sional Budget Office.

Such revisions shall be included in the first current level report on the congressional budget submitted for publication in the Congressional Record after the release of such mid-session report.

"(B) Adjustment in assumed revenue Levels to reflect projected excess assets in social security escrow fund.—For any fiscal year for which there are projected excess assets in the Social Security Escrow Fund, the amount of revenue levels assumed under subparagraph (A) shall be reduced, below the amount which would otherwise be assumed but for this subparagraph, by the amount of such projected excess assets.

"(C) EXCESS ASSETS.—For purposes of this paragraph, the term 'excess assets' shall, in connection with any fiscal year, have the meaning provided in 201(d)(3) of the Social Security Act in connection with such fiscal year.

"(c) WAIVER AND APPEAL.—Subsection (a) may be waived or suspended in the Senate only by an affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members, duly chosen and sworn. An affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members of the Senate, duly chosen and sworn, shall be required

- 1 in the Senate to sustain an appeal of the ruling of the
- 2 Chair on a point of order raised under this section.".
- 3 (2) Conforming amendment.—The item re-
- 4 lating to section 316 in the table of contents set
- forth in section 1(b) of the Congressional Budget
- 6 and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 is amended
- 7 to read as follows:

"Sec. 316. Dedication of social security surpluses to reduction in the public debt.".

8 SEC. 7. CHANGE IN CONSUMER PRICE INDEX USED FOR

- 9 COST-OF-LIVING INCREASES.
- 10 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 215(i)(1)(D) of the Social
- 11 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 415(i)(1)(D)) is amended by
- 12 striking "Consumer Price Index" and inserting "Chained
- 13 Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers".
- 14 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 15 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to increases under
- 16 section 215(i)(2)(A)(ii) of the Social Security Act effective
- 17 with the month of December of each calendar year begin-
- 18 ning after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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